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Educators may have to pay more for health benefits

Employees receiving health insurance benefits through PEEHIP may see substantial increases in their premium rates

By Constance Arnold Avila
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

In the near future, Alabama educators, including teachers and staff at elementary and secondary schools, community colleges, and Jacksonville State University may have to pay more for their health insurance.

Dr. Cynthia Sneed and Dr. John Sneed, both JSU accounting professors, have coauthored "The PEEHIP Funding Crisis in Alabama," a study which looks at how the Alabama's Public Education Employees Health Insurance Plan (PEEHIP).

This plan has been touted as one of the best insurance plans

in the country, that can keep from becoming too much of a burden on the already struggling Alabama budget while preventing a cut in benefits.

Dr. Cynthia Sneed was concerned about the rising costs of providing this one-of-a-kind program as well as keeping it affordable for recipients. According to Dr. Sneed, state

employees, who pay nothing for single coverage, currently pay \$169 per month for family coverage while PEEHIP participants, who pay \$2 per month for single coverage, currently pay \$134 per month for family coverage.

This amounts to PEEHIP families paying 26% of their \$620 premiums. Dr. Sneed

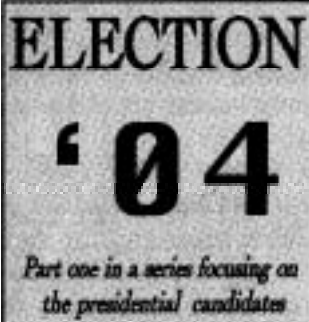
said that PEEHIP family coverage will only be minimally affected (\$134 per month to \$155) but that, to keep costs reasonable for the state, individual workers should share the costs of their coverage by paying approximately 25% of their premiums.

Two dollars per month would go up to \$60.50 per

month, saving "the state about \$47 million per year." Her findings also indicated that by "charging each retiree only 25% of their premium ([also] \$60.50 for about 25,000 retirees) per month," Alabama could save another \$18 million each year.

Dr. Maureen Newton, a JSU
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Kerry, his life and political views



By Rosalind L. Moore
The Chanticleer News Editor

Voters in seven states made their mark on the Democratic nomination on Tuesday night. Days before the Feb. 3 primaries, political analyst and reporter, Tom Oliphant, stated in the Boston **Globe** a very positive outlook for senator, John Kerry.

"Carrying the day for Kerry

Inside the minds of presidential hopefuls

is more than just another liberal democrat, while other candidates like Howard Dean claim, according to AOL.com political analysis, to represent the "democratic wing of the democratic party."

After winning five states on Feb. 3 at an important and crucial moment, Kerry addressed his supporters saying, "Now we will carry this campaign and the cause of a stronger, fairer, more prosperous America to every part of America. We will take nothing for granted; we will compete everywhere – and in November, with your help, we will defeat George W. Bush."

Over the past few weeks, after crucially important wins in

cities. He received a B.A. in political science at Yale University in 1966 and graduated from Boston College Law School in 1976.

His background as a navy lieutenant and U.S. senator has proved favorable among his fellow democrats.

Some of Kerry's major contributions as a senator have included his work to reform public education, address children's issues, strengthen the economy and encourage the growth of the high tech New Economy, protect the environment, and advance America's foreign policy interests around the globe.

Kerry has continued to receive endorsements from var-



KRT/John Kerry

the people want and his desire to create jobs, strengthen education and reduce the cost of healthcare.

"John Kerry's experience and knowledge on foreign policy and national security are second to none, making him the best Democratic candidate to take on George Bush, take back

Multicultural Services providing diversity at JSU

By Audrey Hykes
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

Back in 1954, a Supreme Court case called *Brown v. Board of Education* changed America and its school operation. It all started when a young black girl was unable to go to a nearby school for only white children.

But on May 14, the case was ruled that the "separate but equal" law was unconstitutional because it singled out people just by the color of their skin and violated the 14th amendment rights.

This is where America's civil liberties were truly able to take off, and since then we've accomplished school integration

more involved with campus life, fellow students, and campus faculty and staff.

Cultural celebrations are set up during periods of minority history, which include the current Black History Month, Hispanic American Heritage Month, Asian/Pacific American Week, Native American Month, and even Women's History Month, which is during March.

During these times, educational and entertainment events are scheduled, such as last week's free bus trip to Atlanta for Martin Luther King Week where speeches were made by some of Atlanta's government officials, two of whom were African American females.

Back in November, for

in the Boston Globe a very positive outlook for senator, John Kerry.

"Carrying the day for Kerry probably means winning four states; a viable opponent will probably have to win two," Oliphant said of the Feb. 3 primaries. In the end, Kerry managed to carry five of those seven states.

Many candidates have been at the forefront of the democratic race to the presidential nomination but John Kerry seems to be living in the limelight the most.

Kerry a veteran of the US senate and Vietnam, boasts that he

we will defeat George W. Bush."

Over the past few weeks, after crucially important wins in New Hampshire and Iowa, Kerry appears to the public to be the hopeful candidate against current president George W. Bush.

Kerry has begun to emerge among the other democratic candidates as the stronger candidate, but where does he stand on the important issues that matter to most Americans.

Sixty-one year old Kerry was born in Denver, CO and raised in Boston, MA among other

foreign policy interests around the globe.

Kerry has continued to receive endorsements from various public and political names across the United States. Among the most recent of these endorsements was Michigan Governor, Jennifer M. Granholm.

Granholm stated, "Michigan needs John Kerry in the White House because John Kerry will deliver the national leadership the people of Michigan expect and the country needs." Granholm went on to endorse Kerry's understanding of what

and national security are second to none, making him the best Democratic candidate to take on George Bush, take back the White House, and get America back on track," Granholm stated in a letter of endorsement.

According to Kerry's campaign Web site, www.johnkerry.com, Kerry "will give every American access to the health care plan that the President and Members of Congress already have. John Kerry has the

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This is where America's civil liberties were truly able to take off, and since then we've accomplished school integration along with a number of other civil rights. This case opened the door to more minority recognition and gave countless people of different races an opportunity to succeed in America.

Jacksonville State University's Office of Multicultural Services was established in 1996 for the purpose of effectively promoting minority heritages, educational programs, and encouragement for minority students to get

some of Atlanta's government officials, two of whom were African American females.

Back in November, for Native American Month, a Powwow took place, and for Hispanic Month last year, an authentic food festival was scheduled, as well as a well-known guest speaker, and dances were set up.

As well as emphasizing cultural awareness and education, the Multicultural Services Office works with the SGA to sponsor several organizations and retention programs.

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UPD receives second accreditation from CALEA

UPD only one of seven departments in the state to be accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies

By Danni Lusk
The Chanticleer Editor-in-Chief

UPD credits much its 30 percent overall crime rate decrease to the department's affiliation with the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, according to Corporal Neil Fetner.

The department recognized its reaccreditation with the commission Jan. 29 during a ceremony where UPD Chief Terry Schneider presented the CALEA plaque to University President Bill Meehan.

The department's first accreditation was in 1997. UPD was the first university department in the state to



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Jacksonville State University Police Department, Salls Hall

receive the accreditation. The department is now one of seven in the state, with other departments, such as Pell City and Alexander City, beginning to become associated with CALEA, said Fetner.

CALEA is a worldwide commission which sets guidelines and standard operating procedures for

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Vandalism spree causes damage totaling near \$2500

JSUPD and Jacksonville City Police investigate hits to Panhellenic house and Jacksonville Place Apartments

By Rosalind L. Moore
The Chanticleer News Editor

On Sunday, University police officers responded to a report of criminal mischief occurring at the east parking lot of JSU's Panhellenic House.

Several Panhellenic house residents reported that their vehicle tires had been slashed. Some of the victims' vehicles had two tires slashed, while others just had one.

"The incident was reported to JSUPD on Sunday morning around 9:30 a.m.," Corporal Neil Fetner stated. "It apparently occurred overnight from Saturday night and into early Sunday morning." According to JSUPD at this time they have several leads in the case including possible eyewitnesses.

According to Jacksonville City police reports, seven victims also reported similar incidents occurring on the same night in the parking lot



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Jacksonville State University Police responded to reports of slashed tires occurring in the east parking lot of the Panhellenic House. Five vehicles received slits in their tires. JSUPD reported the damage to be at least \$1300. Reports of criminal mischief were also reported to Jacksonville City Police occurring at Jacksonville Place Apartments occurring the same night.

of Jacksonville Place Apartments to city police officers.

Currently JSUPD is investigating the incident in conjunction with Jacksonville City Police. A total of approximately 12 vehicles were vandalized around the

Jacksonville City area, and several reports have surfaced around campus of similar vandalism occurring over the last few days.

"As far as we know there were only those two incidents that occurred in Jacksonville during that same time frame

that resulted in damage of property," stated Investigative Sergeant, Sean Giddy of the JSUPD. "Each incident had the same M.O. and same damage, a blade into the tire."

According to JSUPD, eye

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By the numbers:

Percentage of the U.S. population that watched the Super Bowl:

49

Gamecock Scoreboard:

Men's basketball:

Jan. 29 - JSU 79, SE Missouri 64
Jan. 31 - JSU 78, E. Illinois 73
Tonight - at Austin Peahy, 7:30 p.m.
Sat. - at TN Tech, 7:30 p.m.

Women's basketball:

Jan. 29 - JSU 95, SE Missouri 83
Jan. 31 - JSU 80, E. Illinois 60
Tonight - at Austin Peahy, 5:15 p.m.
Sat. - at TN Tech, 5:30 p.m.

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social work professor, agreed with Dr. Sneed that an increase in co-pays might unfairly burden families and anyone with chronic health problems, making the increase regressive.

However, Newton felt that while the current co-pays were reasonable for singles, an increase in co-pays coupled with a deductible for them might be a better option than increasing everyone's premi-

ums. Newton and Sneed stated that they both seek meaningful tax reform and acknowledged that any solution might just be a temporary fix.

"We can't continue to punish individuals for problems related to the state budget," stated Newton. She went on to add that "because Alabama is below the national average in teacher and faculty salaries," raising premiums or decreasing benefits "might encourage teachers and faculty to move to other states with higher

salaries and equal benefits."

"Some are willing to accept lower salaries because of our benefits," Newton said. "Also students should be concerned. Health insurance premium increases risk tuition increases to cover salary increases," she added.

Newton expressed concern that this could cause the best teachers to leave to go to other states or to private industry and that students, who are already feeling the budget crunch with increased tuition

and lowered financial aid, might see a college education as inaccessible.

JSU's President, Dr. Bill Meehan, said, "JSU is the only four-year university that participates in PEEHIP." He added, "Many people outside of education are having to pay more. If Amendment 1 had passed, [the premiums] would have gone up to 25% of the costs."

Meehan supports the increase but feels that we need to explore "other ways for rev-

enue to help offset that cost" since "salaries are not as high as those in business and industry" and raises have been frozen for a year.

Newton suggested that one method of participants sharing the costs without making this a regressive increase is to have graduated premiums, based on income. Both Newton and Sneed felt that retirees, especially those who retire before age 65, should bear more of their costs.

Regardless of what decision

the legislature makes, it looks like Alabama educators will be paying a little more for their health insurance sooner rather than later. Governor Riley asked the Legislature to suspend its regular legislative session Tuesday night in order to have a special session to address accountability measures and the state's budget crisis.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alpha Omicron Pi: Sisters of AOII would like to congratulate all the new 2004 officers!!!! AOII ITALIAN NIGHT FEB. 9, 5:00-7:00pm @ BCM. Tickets are only \$3 so look for an AOII to buy a ticket. Great job on Founder's Day Elizabeth Davis! Hope everyone has a wonderful and safe week. **Contact:** eerikaleigh@aol.com.

Alpha Xi Delta: Thanks to the brothers of Sigma Nu for a great bonfire mixer last Thursday night. It was a lot of fun! Sister of the week is Katie Green and new member of the week is Heather. Go JSU Basketball! **Contact:** Jenny Wentworth, 435-5152.

Baptist Campus Ministries: Hey Gamecocks! Come and join us every Tuesday night for Celebration at 8:00 p.m., AGAPE lunches held every Wednesday from 11:15 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. where your first time is absolutely FREE! We also have a Bible Study that meets every Thursday night at 6:00 p.m. Come and join the fun! **Contact:** Gary, 435-7020 or gbrittn@jsucc.jsu.edu.

Freshman Forum: The Freshman Forum encourages you to help heart transplant patients by donating your old cell phones and chargers. Bring these items to the Office of Student Life by February 16, 2004. **Contact:** Robert Hayes, 782-5491.

JSU Ambassadors: The 2004-2005 Ambassador applications are now available. If you love JSU, this job is for YOU! Good luck JSU Basketball. **Contact:** Tracy Phillips, 782-5260 or phillips@jsucc.jsu.edu.

JSU Cheerleaders: Jacksonville State University cheerleading tryouts will be April 16-18. Tryout applications must be turned in by Feb. 27 in order to be eligible for tryouts. You can pick up an information sheet and application at the JSU Athletic Department. **Contact:** Brittany Ishee, bishee@jsucc.jsu.edu.

JSU Student Art Alliance: The Student Art Alliance will hold it's regularly scheduled meetings on Wed. Feb. 4 at 2 p.m. and Thu. Feb. 5 at 4 p.m. The meeting will be in 104B of Hammond Hall. All art students are encouraged to attend. **Contact:** Daisy Stanley, 782-3732.

JSU Today Show: Watch JSU Today every Thursday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. on TV24. If any communication students would be interested in gaining TV production experience, please contact Stephanie Deese. **Contact:** Stephanie Deese, 782-6187 or stephddeese@aol.com.

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witness accounts report that juvenile males riding bicycles down the Chief Ladiga trail possibly committed the vandalism. "This can be classified as a crime of opportunity," Fetner stated.

A crime of opportunity is generally classified as one where the criminal recognized the opportunity to commit a crime. This particular incident of criminal mischief could be classified as a crime of opportunity due to the fact that police believe the juveniles traveled the Chief Ladiga trail by bicycle.

Both locations, Jacksonville Place apartments and the Panhellenic house, are directly accessible from the trail.

Many of the victims thought that someone had let the air out of the tires of their vehicles as a prank, but upon trying to re-inflate the tires that there were slits in the tires.

At the present time JSUPD states that most possible scenarios point to the juvenile males committing the vandalism acts. JSUPD feels very

strongly that they will be able to identify the group of males who they believe committed the vandalism acts.

Cambrey Jordan, one of the victims and a resident of the Panhellenic house was just having a regular morning, when she discovered that her back passenger tire had been punctured.

"I was getting ready for work when someone told me that I needed to come outside," stated Jordan. "UPD took our statements and they helped us all change out to our spare tires. They were very helpful."

According to Jordan, she received about \$150 worth of damage. The total damage estimates reported by JSUPD totaled about \$1300. The Jacksonville City Police reported about \$1010 of damage occurring at Jacksonville Place apartments.

When asked if she felt less safe after the incident, Jordan stated, "It does make you think. I wonder if I am going to come out of the house and my tires be slashed again."

Many of the victims, how-

ever, expressed their gratitude and appreciation for JSUPD's handling of the matter. JSUPD is continuing to investigate the matter and work with eyewitness accounts they have received.

"All of the counts will be considered third degree and each incident will be charged individually," stated Giddy. Currently the incidents are being considered random acts of criminal mischief. JSUPD believes that the incidents were committed by a group and targeted areas conveniently located off of Ladiga trail.

If the criminals are juveniles they could face several consequences depending on their individual situations. If the juveniles have prior offense records they could face time in juvenile detention or other consequences.

If anyone has any information regarding either incident occurring at the JSU Panhellenic house or Jacksonville Place apartments, they are encouraged to contact the JSUPD at 782-5050.

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Peer Educators: Counseling and Career Services will be sponsoring a "JSU Peer Educators Interest Meeting" on Feb. 9th and 11th, 3:00-4:00 p.m. in Rm 303 TMB. This meeting will describe a JSU Peer Educator, their duties and responsibilities. If you are interested becoming a Peer Educator, please make plans to attend one of these dates. **Contact:** Fred Mays, 782-5475.

Phi Eta Sigma: Eighty-eight \$1,000 awards and thirty-one \$2,000 scholarships are available nationally to members of Phi Eta Sigma for undergraduate study. Five scholarships of \$5,000 each are available nationally for graduate study. JSU members of Phi Eta Sigma are invited to apply. Local deadline for applications is Feb. 23. **Contact:** Rufus Kinney, 782-5467. (for applications or questions)

ROTC: The Gamecock Battalion would like to thank everyone that attended our annual Military Ball at The Barn last Saturday night. We all had a great time! If you are interested in receiving an Army Scholarship or would like more information on the ROTC program contact Cpt. Shakelford at 782-5601. **Contact:** Jenny Wentworth, 435-5152.

Sigma Nu: We would like to congratulate the newest member of our candidate class "Footlong." Brother of the week: Drew Wagner for his uncharacteristic display of responsibility Saturday morning, making sure we were at the LEAD Institute. Saying of the week: "Why Tater? WHY NOT?" **Contact:** Dave Chambers, 525-6490.

Society of Professional Journalists: Pulitzer Prize-winning author, Rick Bragg of Jacksonville, will visit today. Bragg will speak at 6 p.m. tonight on the 11th floor of the Houston Cole Library. The public is invited to attend. **Contact:** Katja Sunnarborg, 782-8192.

Up 'Til Dawn: Up 'Til Dawn is a fundraiser project created to raise money for the St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Individuals or organizations are encouraged to form a fundraising team. It is a great service for anyone who wants to make a difference in a young child's life! **Contact:** Angela Martin or Cambrey Jordan, 782-8054.

Zeta Tau Alpha: Congratulations to all our new members! We love you all! Thanks to Elizabeth Johnson for all your hard work on recruitment. Thanks to Sigma Phi Epsilon for a fun mixer! Great job, Rebecca Gardner for putting it all together. Go Gamecocks! **Contact:** Heather Moore, heatherm16@hotmail.com.

The Chanticleer Announcements Policy: Any JSU student organization or University office may submit items for the Announcements column. Submissions must be typed, and must be limited to 50 words. Submissions must include a name and telephone number or e-mail address to contact for further information, but this information does not count toward the 50-word total. Submissions must arrive at The Chanticleer offices in Room 180, Self Hall by 5 p.m. on the Monday prior to the desired publication date.

The Chanticleer reserves the right to refuse publication of any submission for any reason. We also reserve the right to edit submissions for style, brevity, and clarity.

CAMPUS CRIME

•Jan. 28- Matthew Craig Ramsey, 19, of Decatur, AL was arrested for minor consumption of liquor occurring at Daugette Hall.

•Jan. 28- Charles Cory Blass, 18, of Huntsville, AL was arrested for minor in possession of liquor occurring at Daugette Hall.

•Jan. 28- Nicholas R. Perkinson, 19, of Atlanta, GA was arrested for possession of marijuana and eradication occurring at Daugette Hall.

•Jan. 28- Joshua Michael Rose, 18, was arrested for minor consumption of liquor occurring at Daugette Hall.

Information in the Campus Crime column is obtained from incident and arrest reports at the JSU Police Department in Salls Hall. These records are public documents which any individual has the right to examine under Alabama state law. If you believe this information to be in error, please call 782-5701, or contact JSUPD at 782-5050.

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What if page two of *The Chanticleer* looked like this?

~~Rutgers basketball team under gag order~~

While hoping that the furor caused over remarks made by [redacted] dies down, [redacted] have come under fire again, this time for [redacted].

The American Association of University Professors has criticized the Rutgers administration for [redacted].

with reporters at *The Daily Targum*, the campus newspaper.

"We condemn the attempt to stifle the free speech of the members of the Rutgers men's basketball team," [redacted].

other must not be curtailed simply

because they are [redacted]. Two days after student protesters demanding the resignation of [redacted] halted the Scarlet Knights' game against the University of Massachusetts, guard Damon Santiago told a *Targum* reporter that he thought [redacted].

Senior forward Jamal Philips told a reporter that [redacted].

The next day, head coach Bob Wenzel asked team members not to discuss the issue with reporters.

censorship. [redacted]

where or when the game would be replayed yet, and we didn't want to jeopardize any possible decision by [redacted].

Since the Feb. 7 basketball game [redacted], in which 150 students flooded onto the court, [redacted]

has issued a warning to students that they may face punishment if they interfere with [redacted].

"The forum has been used to make a point, and as a result, disruptions will be tolerated," [redacted].

In late January, the AAUP released a [redacted] of a [redacted] made by [redacted] in November in which he said [redacted].

[redacted] has since apologized for the remarks.

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How to avoid becoming a victim of identity theft

Easy precautions and tips to follow so that identity theft won't happen to you



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Shoulder surfing is one way in which identity theft can occur. Thieves may practice looking over a person's shoulder at the ATM to obtain personal identification numbers and other information.

By Malcolm Thomas
The Chanticleer Contributing Editor

Cpl Neil Fetner and Sgt. Carl Preuninger of Jacksonville State University's police department talked to the Sociology Club last week about identity theft that occurs right here on campus.

Fetner discussed many ways to keep your identity safe. Cutting up your credit cards, checking credit reports annually, and cutting up or burning bank statements are some of the ways

to prevent identity theft. Being careful about whom you give your credit card numbers too is also important.

"Everyone has the potential to have their identities stolen from them," explained Fetner.

There are two ways, account takeover and application fraud, for criminals to steal your identity. According to the Web site www.privacyrights.org, account takeover occurs when a thief steals your identity by using existing credit account information and he or she buys products

and services using either the actual credit card or the account number and expiration date.

Application fraud, also known as "true name fraud" consists of using social security numbers and other identity specific information to open new accounts in another person's name.

"There are many ways for thieves to get your personal information. One specific way is by 'dumpster diving,'" Fetner stated. Dumpster diving occurs when social security numbers, drivers license numbers, unshredded credit cards and other items containing personal information are obtained through digging in residential or business trash receptacles.

Another way for criminals to steal your identity is by stealing mail from unlocked mailboxes. They can steal credit cards, credit card and bank statements, pre-approved credit cards, investment reports, insurance statements, tax information and benefit documents.

Identity theft can also take place from personal information given to individuals posing as loan officers, landlords, and employers.

The privacy rights Web site also talks about shoulder surfing, which is looking over a person's shoulder with either binoculars or a video camera, at ATM machines and phone booths is also a very real threat to your

identity.

According to JSUPD another good idea would be to minimize the personal information that you carry with you. They advise people to limit the amounts of credit cards, social security number information, birth certificates or passports carried in purses or wallets.

Reducing the amount of information that is "out there" can be done by removing your name from the marketing lists of reporting bureaus by calling 1-888-5OPTOUT.

Doing this you will limit the number of pre-approved offers from credit card companies. When tossed in the garbage, these types of offers are a potential target to identity thieves who use them to order credit cards in your name.

"When you go to a restaurant and pay with a credit card or debit card, make sure you hand your credit slip to the waitress/waiter," said Fetner. "If you leave or don't leave a tip on the slip, be sure that you put the exact amount you want to give and put dashes on the outsides of the numbers so that "whoever" can't put an extra one before the number or a couple extra zeros behind it."

To check your credit reports to see if someone has stolen your identity, there are numerous Web sites you can explore. Some of these include www.Equifax.com,

www.TransUnion.com and www.Experian.com. There are many ways to protect yourself from identity theft. One easy way is to reduce the amount of credit cards that you actively use to a minimum, and to keep a photocopy of all your credit cards, bank accounts and investments.

Another good way to protect yourself is to never give out your social security number, credit card number or any other personal information over the phone, by mail or over the Internet unless you have a trusted business relationship with the company and you initiate the call.

Take extra precautions to protect yourself and others. If you have any questions, concerns or if you have been a victim of identity theft yourself, contact the JSUPD at (256) 782-5050.

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police departments to follow. By being accredited, departments protect themselves from frivolous lawsuits because CALEA inspects each department to make sure their operating procedures abide by local, state and federal laws.

"This is a good organization to be affiliated with for JSU and the police department," said Fetner. "We follow stringent guideline and standards."

UPD's reaccreditation inspection began in August 2003. The department's next inspection will be in three years.

"We pride ourselves on being involved with them," said Fetner. "I think our affiliation with CALEA will help to reduce our crime rate further than it already has."

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In his welcome to the Web site, Kerry states, "I have spent my entire career standing up to special interests and

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Presidential hopeful Sen. John Kerry (D-MA) tours the Haas Technical Center with manufacturing manager Ed Koehne, left, before Kerry picked up the endorsement of South Carolina Congressman Jim Clyburn, second from right.

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courage to take on special interests to get health care costs under **control**. He will stand up to big insurance and drug companies that impede progress. And John Kerry's health care plan takes care of our most vulnerable citizens by covering every child and preserving and strengthening Medicare."

He also has plans to repeal the tax cuts made by Bush for the wealthiest Americans and closing corporate loopholes. On **education**, Kerry opposes the private school voucher and will fund the No Child Left Behind Act.

Kerry has also taken a stance on **social** security, shooting down the ideas of social security privatization

and proposing "payroll tax holiday" to exempt workers from the first \$10,000 of income from social security taxes.

He endorses the woman's right to choose regarding abortions and supports the passage of the Employment Non-Discrimination Act.

Kerry continues to stand firm on his belief in equal rights for all Americans.

"We need to guarantee equal rights and civil rights and say that, here in America, workers have the right to organize — women have the right to choose - and justice belongs to everyone regardless of race or gender or sexual orientation," Kerry stated in a speech.

Kerry is a big environmental supporter and he states on his Web site that his goals

spent my entire career standing up to special interests and fighting for the American people. I am running for president because we need a President who is ready and willing on day one to make tough stands and fight the hard battles."

On his Web site he also talks about the "Real Deal" he will make with Americans in his first 100 days in office if elected as president. This "Real Deal" he states his commitment to turning around the policies of the bush committee, providing for the common defense, providing affordable health care and cutting the deficit by half in four years and many others.

"I'm running for President to make the country we love safer, stronger, and more secure. I'm asking every American to be a Citizen Soldier again committed to leaving no American behind," Kerry stated at the end of his letter to his Web site visitors.

The democratic primaries continue this month and soon Americans will be asked to choose the next president of the United States.

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Three of the major organizations that work with JSU are the African American Association, the Black Alumni Chapter, and the NAACP College Chapter, which are dedicated to promoting cultural events, leadership development, continued relationships between minority graduates and JSU, and assisting needs of the students.

A popular retention program is BEST (Black Education Support Team), which is a free tutoring program geared toward freshmen, although any student is welcome to the help offered. Academic support also includes scholarship programs

for minority students.

One scholarship available is the Hispanic Scholarship program, which a student may be eligible for with a 2.5 GPA.

"Our main goal here is to support all students of color," says David Zeigler, Director of Multicultural Services. "We want to see all minorities and their cultures recognized." This, Zeigler feels, is the program's most noted achievement.

"We're able to set up more programs now to promote minority cultures and provide education about them as well as entertainment," Zeigler continued. "We hope to see more students of color get involved this way."

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**"What did you love
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— Compiled by
Erin Chupp
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Charlie Ahlschwede
Senior
General Studies

"Being born..."



Jill Fuller
Senior
Music Ed

"I used to love listening to New
Kids on the Block and drinking

Accident or not: it was entertaining

Everyone's seen them and if you haven't, well I'm really sorry. And if you missed the Super Bowl, I feel really sorry for you because you missed seeing The Miss Janet Jackson's right breast.

Although I, and the two other guys that I was watching the game with, was pleasantly surprised to see one of her goods, it seems some politicians, parents, other viewers and, most importantly, the Federal Communications Commission were not. The FCC launched a formal investigation Monday because FCC Chairman Michael Powell said he did not believe the exposure was an accident.

However, both Jackson and Justin Timberlake say the incident went beyond what they had planned and apologized for the incident. The plan was, according to a Jackson spokesman, for Justin to pull away Janet's bustier while leaving just her red lace bra showing. But instead, the red lace

bra "malfunctioned," as Timberlake said, and out came her boob. And neither MTV, nor CBS, knew of Janet and Justin's plan — the two planned it after the final rehearsal.

What gets me is all the ruckus over the incident. 1.) Every female has breasts and if you or your child (who should have been in bed by halftime) have not seen them by now, you should. 2.) Politicians have no reason to

By Danni Lusk
The Chanticleer
Editor in Chief



be upset over the event because they have interns who do dirtier things than expose a breast. 3.) And the FCC Chairman Powell seems to be a little too money-hungry for chasing after the fine that will follow this accident. And it was an accident.

One really funny part of this whole thing is that TiVo, the digital video recorder, reported the halftime occurrence was the most replayed moment of all TV moments the company has ever measured. Additionally, there was a 180 percent ratings spike at the time of the exposure.

So there you have it, I'm not the only one who enjoyed the halftime show.

The halftime show wasn't

that cool anyways. In comparison to past shows (with the exception of Shania Twain's crap last year), the show was boring. I enjoyed seeing Aerosmith and Kid Rock (because they actually sang) rather than watch Janet, Nelly and Justin lip sync (poorly) to past hits.

Aside from Aerosmith and Kid Rock, Janet's boob was the best part.

And this whole "vulgar" incident isn't the first in live television. At the 2003 Golden Globes, U2's Bono used the F-word during the live NBC broadcast. There was also a semi-nude interpretive dancer who stormed Bob Dylan's stage at the 1998 Grammy's.

Janet's boob isn't the first inappropriate thing television viewers have seen. Besides, there's no better show on earth than the Super Bowl to show a boob at. Whether it was an accident or not, it was pure entertainment.





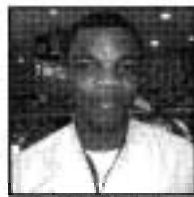
Lee Hamric and Ryan Murrell
Freshmen
Music Ed

"The hair of the 80's gave everyone their personality. It didn't matter how bad your hair looked, it was all 'the thing.'"



Leigh Merrill
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"I loved slap bracelets, teased hair and Ferris Beuler's Day Off."



Arnold Montgomery
Junior
Music Ed

"I loved my Reebok pumps, except for the day I was in class and pumped them so much I bruised my foot."

What CBS didn't want you to see

By Rick Mercier

The Fredericksburg Free Lance-Star

For many Americans, the commercials that air during the Super Bowl have become as appealing a part of the spectacle as the action on the gridiron. But this year, viewers won't get to see what may have been the best ads submitted to CBS for the big game.

CBS canned a 30-second spot sponsored by the liberal online activist group MoveOn. The commercial, which won a celebrity-judged competition for the honor of being MoveOn's Super Bowl ad, depicts children performing a variety of blue-collar jobs: washing dishes, collecting garbage, working on an assembly line. The tagline near the end of the commercial asks, "Guess who's going to pay off President Bush's \$1 trillion deficit?"

The network also spiked a commercial submitted by People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals. That ad featured scantily clad women and suggested that meat-eating might contribute to impotence.

Of course, CBS has no problems with commercials that objectify women or that

are about impotence. You'll see many such commercials during the Super Bowl.

What makes both the PETA and MoveOn spots unacceptable, says CBS, is that they're advocacy advertising. But the network will be airing an ad that shows, according to AdAge.com, what would happen if "other types of manufacturers made products similar to tobacco, like ice cream bars embedded with glass shards."

That sounds a lot like an advocacy commercial to me. The difference, CBS argues, is that anti-smoking ads are non-controversial because everyone agrees smoking is bad for you.

But doesn't everyone agree that massive budget deficits are bad, too? Don't reputable economists agree that they pose long-term threats to the economy? Isn't there bipartisan support for dealing with the exploding deficits? And didn't the current fiscal mess begin after President Bush took office and pushed through massive tax cuts?

If there's a controversial aspect to the MoveOn commercial, it may be that it downplays the magnitude of the looming debt crisis. According to the

Congressional Budget Office's most recent estimates, the deficits from the Bush years could wind up totaling a lot more than \$1 trillion.

Even Fox's Bill O'Reilly couldn't see any problem with the MoveOn ad. "I was surprised that CBS turned this down. It's not offensive, makes a legitimate point politically," said the conservative television commentator.

CBS seems to move the bar that it uses for determining what's controversial. Last year during the Super Bowl, the network aired White House ads linking drug use to support for international terrorism, a claim that certainly generated a fair amount of controversy.

During Sunday's championship game, CBS aired White House commercials promoting anti-drug efforts. But as innocuous as the ads may seem, some of the Bush administration's tactics in fighting the drug war are nothing if not controversial - just ask Supreme Court justices Stephen Breyer, Anthony Kennedy and William Rehnquist, who loath the White House's zealous support of mandatory-sentencing laws.

MoveOn and its supporters believe there's something fishy about CBS' vetting of commercials. They point out that the Republican-controlled Congress, after a veto threat by Bush, recently approved loosening of an ownership cap that sets limits on the total national TV audience any one network can reach. The online group cites Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who said CBS and Fox would have had to sell stations they'd already purchased had Congress, at the behest of the White House, not raised the cap from 35 percent to 39 percent of all households.

"Why did they pick 39 percent?" MoveOn quotes McCain as asking rhetorically on the Senate floor. "So these two conglomerates could be grandfathered."

It's true that CBS and Fox lobbied heavily for the rule change. It's also true, as the Center for Responsive Politics has documented, that of the nearly \$14,000 in soft money contributions CBS made during the 2000 election cycle, 98 percent of it went to the Republican Party.

MoveOn, on the other hand, does not enjoy such warm relations with CBS; in fact, it helped organize grass-

roots opposition to increasing the network ownership cap.

It's quite possible that MoveOn wasn't really a victim of political payback. It could just be that CBS' interpretation of its own standards are a little shaky. Nevertheless, MoveOn raises some important big-picture questions. To wit: Why do we let a few corporations control the airwaves, which, after all, belong to us, the public? Why do we allow big money to continue to play such a huge role in our political system? And, last but not least, could there be a relationship between these two things?

To see what CBS won't show you, visit www.peta.org/feat/super-bowl and www.moveon.org/cbs/ad.

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Cookie season is here

By Erin Chupp
The Chanticleer Photo Editor

Girl Scout cookie season is here. They will soon have their booths set up around town and you will have to try hard to go into Winn Dixie and get fruits and veggies, but ultimately you will have a couple bucks after shopping for a treat. Everyone has a favorite, from Tagalongs to Trefoils.

Girl Scout cookies are a tradition like the fair or parades. One troop in Oxford, however, is a little more on the non-traditional side. This year when you buy cookies from Sallie Shipley's troop you will be supporting a 17-day trip to the South Pacific.

This troop, comprised of seven girls in grades 7-12, made a goal to raise money for this trip two and a half years ago and will finally depart this June. They have been working hard doing car washes, yard sales, window washing and many other individual sales.

"Cookie sales is a major, major, major part of our fundraising activities," said Shipley. "For every 300 boxes they sell, the council will give them \$100 toward their trip."

Their destinations include

Hawaii, Australia, New Zealand and Fiji. Erika Jones is in 10th grade and is excited about seeing the kiwi bird, which is native to Australia. Martieka Montgomery can't wait to see the famous Glowworm Grotto in Fiji. The caves are completely dark and only lit by glowworms.

All of the girls have been learning about the places they will soon visit at their troop meetings each Monday night at Faith Baptist Church in Oxford. They have to learn to get ready for things like 90-degree weather in Hawaii and then going to Australia during their winter months where it will be 50 degrees.

"The one thing I'm most looking forward to is New Zealand because it is so multi-regional," Shipley said. It's a good thing that they have an itinerary and tour guides to meet them at each place. Not only will they be changing time zones, but they will be crossing the international dateline as well.

The tour, given by EF Tours, will include round-trip airfare, accommodations, daily breakfast, entrance fees to attractions and services of a tour director. It was decided to take this tour to explore areas of the world

where none of them (seven girls and seven chaperones) have ever been. This trip will also be thrilling because none of the girls have been out of the country before.

The Girl Scout motto is "be prepared," so how will they pack for a trip of this kind? Shipley's advice to the girl's was to "pack your favorite pair of blue jeans and a good pair of tennis shoes." She promised them that everything they needed would fit into one suitcase. That seemed a little harsh to a group of teenage girls.

Shipley's husband Mike who stands in as assistant leader also had a tip for the girls. "If you can put your make-up in a soap dish you can take it."

Sharilyn Pettus quickly responded, "How many soap dishes can I bring?" Not only is she worried about packing, but this is also her first time flying. Shipley explained that it is unique that they are taking this trip. EF Tours is usually only taken by school groups.

The Girl Scouts, throughout America, have had a hard time keeping the middle and high school age girls involved. "We lose girls a lot of the time at this particular age," said Shipley. A program called Studio 2B has



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Sallie Shipley and Sharilyn Pettus look at Sharilyn Pettus's cookie sales sheet to see how much they still need to sell in order to get to the South Pacific.

been created to help this.

"Studio 2B is trying to come up with other ways to keep girls interested in scouting. This Girl Scout Council is looking for college age girls to lead this," Shipley said. It is a program that is more accommodating to the busy lives of teenagers. There are mounds of information online to discover more

about Studio 2B and how you can take part. Maybe a trip like this could be in store for you!

As troop leader Shipley is doing a wonderful job at promoting Girl Scouts to her troop of this age group. This won't be her first trip with the girls, only their first international one.

What should I do with my life?

By Katja Sunnarborg
The Chanticleer
Features Editor



My sister gave me a book to read last week called "What Should I Do With My Life?" written by Po Bronson. Now that is a question very familiar to me and somehow I don't feel I'm alone. That question comes up too often and there never seems to be any answers to it.

It seems to come up especially when we are at a turning point in our lives, and when there are choices to be made. Will my whole life be different if I make the wrong choice? What will be that wrong choice and how will I know?

The point of the book is to show people that we are not alone with these questions. There are others who have faced them and taken the roads that have felt good at that time. Some of these people later have realized that the choices they have made somehow helped them to become what they are now. Some, on the other hand, are still helplessly looking for that right road.

Our choices have gotten us where we are now. Each of us have a particular major and want to have a career. I am a communication major, concentration on print journalism. I totally have noticed myself

Surprises dominate the Oscar nominations

By Philip Wuntch
The Dallas Morning News (KRT)

Surprises dominated the 76th annual Academy Awards nominations with audible gasps



Coppola's best-director nomination for "Lost in Translation" was a history-making victory. The daughter of "The Godfather" chieftain Francis Ford Coppola, she is the third

annual Academy Awards nominations, with audible gasps heard as Sigourney Weaver and academy president Frank Pierson read the lists on Jan. 27, Tuesday morning.

As expected, "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King" lead the pack with 11 nominations. However, the second-place rank of another colon-imprinted, high-budget adventure "Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World" was something of a surprise. The critically praised seafaring drama had the stigma of a box-office disappointment, which often influences voters.

But the most notable surprise was that "Cold Mountain" was left out in the cold, being snubbed in the best picture, best director and best actress categories. This led to idle speculation that one of Hollywood's most famous ex-couples, Nicole Kidman and Tom Cruise, could be sending each other consolatory e-mails. Cruise had been deemed a possible nominee for "The Last Samurai," but Kidman was considered a cer-



Sigourney Weaver and Academy President Frank Pierson announce the nominees for best actor for the 76th Annual Academy Awards at the Samuel Goldwyn Theatre, Los Angeles, California, January 27, 2004.

tainty as "Cold Mountain's" wistful Southern charmer.

A reaction against "Cold Mountain" grew in recent weeks, but Kidman seemed a more likely choice than Jude Law's reticent soldier. But Law rather than Kidman made the final five. The Civil War epic also failed to dominate the tech-

nical categories, as expected.

Other no-shows included Scarlett Johansson for both "Lost in Translation" and "Girl With a Pearl Earring, Jennifer Connelly for "House of Sand and Fog," William H. Macy for both "The Cooler" and "Seabiscuit," Russell Crowe and Paul Bettany for "Master

and Commander" and Maria Bello for "The Cooler." In the best foreign-language film category, Afghanistan's "Osama," which won the Golden Globe award Sunday night, was not among the five Oscar contenders.

But there were plentiful reasons to celebrate. Sofia

Godfather" chieftain Francis Ford Coppola, she is the third woman to be nominated in the directing ranks and the first American-born woman. Previous nominees were Lina Wertmuller for 1976's "Seven Beauties" and Jane Campion for 1993's "The Piano." Neither won. Coppola's nomination also signals the first parent-child duo in the directing ranks.

Thirteen-year-old New Zealand-born Keisha Castle-Hughes, nominated for "Whale Rider," also made history as the youngest performer to be nominated in the best-actress ranks. The nominations reflect the global appeal of films as well as the peaceful co-existence of independent and mainstream movies. "Lost in Translation" was the only indie nominated for best picture, but "In America," "Monster," "21 Grams," "Whale Rider" and "Thirteen" dotted other major categories. Sadly, the heartfelt "The Station Agent" emerged as the indie answer to "Cold Mountain," being similarly left out in the cold.

tration on print journalism. Lately I have noticed myself questioning what I should do next with my life, since I am about to graduate. Then I realize that maybe I shouldn't think about it too much, because my life is here and now and I should make the best of it.

I have to think how many students at JSU really make the best of their time here. After choosing a major and deciding to go after a degree, how many really get involved with the activities, organizations and clubs that are offered at their department and among students? How many really care about the subject they are studying and how many really know their fellow students?

I am just asking, because I'm a president in one student organization at campus aimed towards communication students. Currently we have about 10 members; not a lot considering there are over 200 students in the Communication Department. My organization is not the only one struggling to get more members; other organizations are facing lack of interest as a problem as well.

Your life is here and now. What you learn from participating in your campus life is something you might need at the future. Leadership skills, being around same minded people, organizing events and fundraising, making contacts that can help to get a job after graduation, and the list could go on and on. What employers want to see is not just the degree, but the participation during the time spent in college. It adds to your resume and helps you to see the person you that you really are.

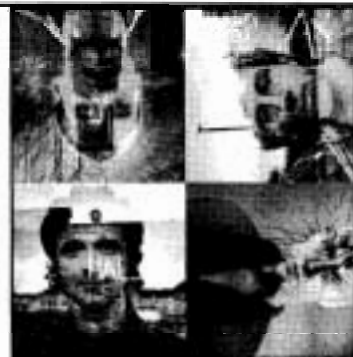
I recommend everyone to think, for a second, of the reasons you are in school. There are many kinds of learning and sometimes the most important kind comes outside the classroom. If you find yourself asking, what you should do with your life, I would advise you to make the most of this moment. This is the time to get experience, try as many things as you can and use what you have learned.

Travis

12 Memories

★★★1/2

Review by Nick Mackay
The Chanticleer Staff Writer



Courtesy Sony

There is a strange, trans-Atlantic phenomenon where things that are absolutely huge in Britain somehow fail to make a dent in the American sub-culture. Witness soccer and the metric system as examples. Well throw into that mix Brit-pop; it tried, it really did. As good bands like Oasis and Blur were and still are, they never experienced the success state-side that they did in their native countries.

1999 heralded the emergence of yet another successor to the Brit-pop crown, Travis. Riding to semi-fame on the strength of

the ridiculously infectious "Why Does it Always Rain on me?" the four young Scots, true to form, followed in their predecessors footsteps and faded into obscurity, this time on the strength (or lack of strength) of their post-breakout album "The Invisible Band." A more prophetic album title has not been seen since; they just simply disappeared.

But a strange thing happened on the way to the unemployed rock star line; Travis grew up. "12 Memories," Travis' fifth release is as dark and introverted as their previous work was

sunny and fun. Clearly, serious issues have become a concern for chief songwriter Fran Healy.

The first two tracks, although featuring sugary harmonies atop softly strummed guitars, both have dramatic undercurrents. "Quicksand" is a Beatlesque pop song which travels along sweetly enough until it gets to the line, "It makes no difference to me/ It's just the sound of another rock star bleeding." Travis has rarely sounded this candidly cynical. On the second track, "The Beautiful Occupation" Healy just flat out comes out and says it, "I'm too cynical/I'm just sitting here wasting my time."

Herein lies Travis, and indeed Healy's main plight with the rock and roll world. In 1999 they were on par with, and maybe even ahead of Coldplay. Both bands had just released their breakout albums, and both albums sounded like early Radiohead blueprints. But Chris Martin and Coldplay went home, evolved, and came back

with "A Rush of Blood to the Head," one of the finest albums in recent memory. With that album came the fame in America that so many British bands have struggled to attain.

Travis on the other hand did not evolve. The first single on "12 memories" addresses that very problem. "Keeping up appearances/ Keeping up with the Jones' " is the first line of "Re-offender," the strongest song on the album. For Healy, the Bono's, Chris Martin's and Thom York's of the world are his Jones', and he's constantly trying too keep up with their songwriting as well as their political stances.

"12 memories" is as dark, distant and patient record as Travis has ever made. The Bush/Blair baiting "Peace the **** Out!" is reminiscent of late period Lennon, when he was still trying to say something dangerous and profound. While Beatlesnatching is not unusual among British bands, their leanings are rarely this adventurous, or accu-

rate for that matter.

But for all their good intentions, Travis still stumbles occasionally. No 30 year-old songwriter should ever attempt a song titled "Mid-life Crisis," and in doing so describe hitting your third decade as "a nightmare." It's just not convincing. The downfall in every other Travis release, particularly "The Invisible Band" was a lack of depth for the entire album. On "12 Memories" most of the early tracks are agreeable, however when the album gets to "Mid-life Crisis," the ninth track, all you can think is "Oh, no. Here we go again."

While Travis has certainly developed emotionally as a band, they have a lot of work to do if they are to catch up to the commercial success of Coldplay, or the critical success of Radiohead. Only time will tell if Travis have enough staying power. It's a tough mountain to climb, but at least their heading in the right direction.

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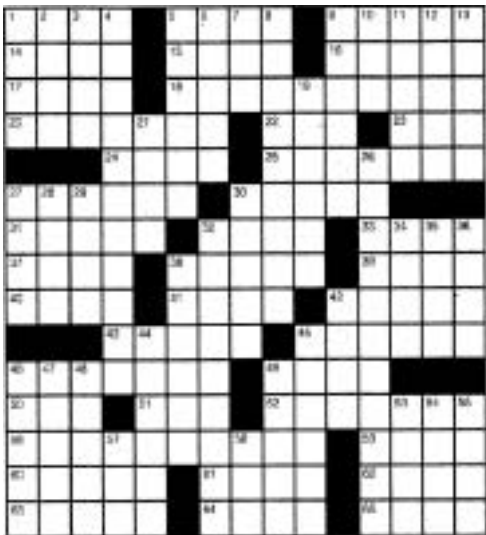
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Horoscopes

By Lasha Seniuk
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

Weekly horoscope Feb. 9-15

Aries (March 21-April 20)

weeks of open discussion. After Tuesday, expect loved ones to no longer remain silent or avoid difficult subjects. Past financial or business disputes need to be resolved. Ask loved

unexpected proposals. Serious long-term intentions will require discussion. Friday through Sunday, family finances may be temporarily strained. Avoid excess spend-

messages from the past. Before mid-March, however, loved ones will ask for renewed dedication, public support and reliable decisions. Remain dedicated to present commitments.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Before midweek, a close friend or lover may acknowledge your recent actions, support or accomplishments. For many Aquarians, unique forms of

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Weekly horoscope Feb. 9-15

Aries (March 21-April 20). Forgotten debts, past workplace errors and lost documents may reappear. Monday through Wednesday, watch for key officials to demand new dedication and loyalty. In the coming weeks, business obligations and daily duties will steadily increase. Provide detailed paperwork and complex descriptions of your efforts. After Wednesday, social timing is vital to new friendships. Expect minor disputes, canceled plans and last-minute reversals. Stay focused.

Taurus (April 21-May 20). Early this week, long-term relationships begin several

or avoid difficult subjects. Past financial or business disputes need to be resolved. Ask loved ones for special permissions, revised expectations or new acceptance. Later this week, respond quickly to revitalized vitality in the lower back, ribs or abdomen. Over the next four weeks, fitness will steadily improve. Stay involved.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Deeply felt romantic ideals may be revealed over the next few days. After Tuesday, expect loved ones to request added compliments or public displays of trust. Some Geminis also will experience renewed sensuality and a returning faith in long-term commitment. Stay open to

through Sunday, family finances may be temporarily strained. Avoid excess spending. Budgets are vital.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Beginning-Tuesday and lasting three weeks, work duties and family obligations will compete for equal attention. Although business relations are complex, loved ones need your honest support and continued dedication. Muddle through and wait for reliable change. Before mid-March, others will rely heavily on your example. Later this week, watch also for a sudden increase in social invitations and group events. Stay balanced; friends will expect fast promises.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Loved ones may discuss home renovations or shared family goals. Over the next nine days, committed relationships may move to a new level of security, intimacy and trust. Unattached Leos can expect unique passions, sudden invitations and powerful romantic overtures. After Thursday, watch also for unusual messages from distant friends or isolated relatives. Relocation and job change may be a key feature. Offer encouragement and wait for further announcements.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Vague contracts, revised duties and moody officials may create strained communications. Although consistent rules and permissions will eventually be forthcoming, expect temporary delays. At present, private power struggles and misinformation are strong influences in the workplace. After Friday, romantic passions will dramatically increase. Expect quick overtures from potential lovers and a series of exotic invitations. Trust your instincts. Attractions are deeply felt.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Unfinished relationships may reappear and demand resolution. Late Monday, watch for unique requests from friends or

through Sunday, family finances may be temporarily strained. Avoid excess spending. Budgets are vital.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22). Over the next nine days, controversial workplace methods may trigger silent tensions between colleagues. Previously trusted business tactics will prove useless. Avoid public discussion or group competition, if possible. Disputes may be unavoidable. In the coming weeks, team assignments will demand diplomacy. Be prepared. After Thursday, key relationships experience a powerful wave of rekindled attraction. Plan new events and enjoy private encounters.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21). Withheld emotions and unique observations may challenge a close relationship. Over the next nine days, watch for fast social reversals and bold discussions. The past behavior of outdated opinions of loved ones may need to be publicly addressed and resolved. Don't be shy. Although unsettling, your insights will prove invaluable. Thursday through Sunday, family planning and home renovations are accented. Stay open. Relatives will press for fast changes.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Yesterday's business ideals and postponed career dreams may rise quickly to the surface. Long-term friends and close relatives will expect renewed ambitions and obvious progress. Find positive ways to study new skills or bring added work enjoyment into your life. Late Wednesday, loved ones will gently ask for public compliments or sentimental comments. Be forthcoming. At present, social doubts and fears of abandonment may be deeply felt.

your recent actions, support or accomplishments. For many Aquarians, unique forms of flattery will lead to increased trust and renewed intimacy. Listen to the wisdom of loved ones and accept all genuine invitations. Over the next nine days, social or family disputes can be easily resolved. Later this week, watch also for a rare financial opportunity. Renewed investments and long-term spending are accented.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Financial discussions may demand special diplomacy over the next nine days. Pay close attention to the continuing expectations of loved ones. Before March, practical decisions, property contracts and outstanding bills will need to be settled. Stay dedicated to small duties. In the coming weeks, your ability to complete difficult assignments will prove invaluable. Late Saturday, romance is pleasing. Enjoy quiet encounters and subtle overtures for your affection.

If your birthday is this week ... Complete all financial proposals, property applications or funding documents before the end of February. Over the next few weeks, authority figures, although emotionally vague or temporarily unavailable, will require clearly defined facts, reliable paperwork and detailed records. Don't hesitate to be forthcoming. Projects finalized over the next two to three months will be quickly established as permanent. After mid-June, watch also for a fast series of romantic or social proposals. Love relationships may experience a powerful wave of sensuality, attraction and renewed interest over the summer months. If so, expect serious decisions or solid commitments to be necessary before the end of September. Much of 2004 will trigger a need for added romantic and financial security. Stay balanced.

Stoopid News

STOCKHOLM, Sweden - A camel on the run stopped traffic on a southern Sweden road in the middle of a snowstorm, police said Sunday. But it took some convincing by drivers before police finally went to the scene.

"We were somewhat doubtful at first," said police spokesman Sten-Ove Fransson in Skoevde, 260 kilometers (162 miles) south of Stockholm, of Friday's incident. "But then more people called, so we were finally convinced that there really was a camel gone astray on the road."

Before police arrived, friends of the camel's owner came and led it back to a stable, where it has been kept while awaiting a home in a new barn.

Owner Anneli Arvidsson said in a telephone interview that the 22-year-old camel might have wandered off because of the absence of his usual companion, a horse.

"On Friday, the horse had been taken inside the stable and the camel was left alone in the pasture, which probably made him feel lonely," she said.

CLAYTON, Mo. - Police in the St. Louis area are calling it the case of the "Clown Bandit."

A man created a comedy of errors as he broke into a liquor store earlier this week.

The crook was seen on surveillance video stealing booze. But just off camera, he

slammed face first into a door. Then he lost his balance, slipped and fell.

He also grabbed some cigarettes and a magazine, police said, and bagged his own goods. But he couldn't get out the window where he came in so he threw all of the stolen items out the window. The liquor bottles then broke.

The man went away empty-handed, police say. The stolen goods were valued at \$30.

CONWAY, Ark. - The party game wasn't the only thing taboo.

Three men were arrested on felony charges after a game of Taboo went awry at a Conway home.

Officers were called to the home Sunday after two men threatened others with guns because they were losing the game, in which one teammate gives clues about certain subject matter, but using certain words is taboo.

One of the people in the apartment told police the men were yelling and cussing and threatened them with handguns.

Officers searched a car at the scene for weapons and found hypodermic needles and drug paraphernalia.

The men, aged 21 and 23, were arrested on suspicion of felony aggravated assault. A 24-year-old man was arrested on suspicion of felony possession of a controlled substance and felony possession of drug paraphernalia.

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down here to get a consolation prize. I think that's the main reason they kept on fouling." "We knew they would come out on fire," said Nye about the SEMO run to cut the lead from 21 to six. "I guess they had a strategy, but it didn't work, because we kept hitting shots when we needed to. It's like studying for a test, and we aced it."

The Gamecocks then hosted the Panthers of Eastern Illinois on Saturday. After a slow start to the first half, which saw the Gamecocks trail by 29-24, JSU would go on a killer 17-0 run, aided by three consecutive Nye long range shots, before a wide open EIU lay-up would give the Gamecocks a formidable 43-29 halftime lead.

The second half was no better for the visitors, as JSU started the half with a 10-4 spurt they would never look back from. The closest EIU could get the score was 14, as JSU pulled away late in the game.

Freeman, who also had eight rebounds and six assists, led three other Gamecocks who reached double digits in scoring as she poured in 20 points. Nye again threw in 16 points while Courtney Slaughter scored 12 and Cobie Carlisle netted 10 points.

"EIU likes to slow things down," said Dagostino after the game. "We were able to get some turnovers off our press and score some easy baskets. That helped us a lot." "We're gonna prepare the same way we've been preparing," said Nye. "You don't change things when things are going well. It'll be tougher on the road, but I know my teammates are capable of playing on the road."

The win extends JSU's overall winning streak to six games and keeps the team an undefeated 8-0 at home this season. No other team in the OVC sports an unbeaten mark at home this year. Jacksonville State now goes on the road for what some have called "the biggest game for JSU in Division I history," as they travel to Austin Peay tonight, the team they share the OVC lead with. They will then travel to Cookeville, Tenn. on Saturday to play Tennessee Tech.

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more than two points.

JSU would then take its largest lead of the night, 66-60, after Eager scored on a dunk from Watson with 3:01 remaining and JSU never trailed again.

EIU cut the lead to two points with :16 remaining after Emanuel Dildy sank a pair of free throws, but JSU sank 5-of-6 from the charity stripe for the final margin.

Senior Trent Eager recorded his second career double-double with 21 points and 13 rebounds to lead four Gamecocks in double-figures. Russell finished with 16 points, followed by Carl Brown with 14 and Emerson Brown added 10. Watson also added three key steals.

The Gamecocks improved to 9-2 at home this season, as a season-high crowd of 4,115 watched this nail-biter.

"This was a tough, hard fought game," said JSU head coach Mike LaPlante following the game. "We came out a little tight, but I thought we really played our brand in the second half and hit the shots we need to hit down the stretch for the win."

When asked about Carl Brown's recent proficiency at the line, Eager replied, "Yeah, Carl's been shooting extra after practice. He'll show up and shoot five, maybe six extra shots." All kidding aside, he continued, "he's coming up big for us when we need him, and I hope he keeps it up."

His next opportunity to sink charity shots will be tonight as JSU travels to Austin Peay. They then venture to the Volunteer State Saturday to face Tennessee Tech.



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Carl Brown dunks over an Eastern player during Saturdays thriller win in the final seconds over Eastern Illinois

Track and field team places at LSU

From staff reports

BATON ROUGE, La., - The Jacksonville State indoor track and field team placed in the top 30 of seven events at LSU's Purple Tiger Invitational Saturday.

A fourth-place finish in the long jump by sophomore Anna Armstrong and a 13th-place finish by the women's 4x400-meter relay team highlighted

the event for the Gamecocks.

JSU head track and field coach Heath Dudley said the team benefited from competing in a national event, which featured more than 800 participants.

"Coming into this event, we knew it was going to be a great meet for these freshmen to see what it takes to get to the next level," said Dudley. "We had some great performances, like Anna, who broke her own school record in the long jump." Armstrong, who set a school

long jump record at the previous meet with a leap of 17 feet, eight inches, broke her own record with a 17-foot, 11-inch jump on Saturday. That distance earned her fourth place in the event.

Other finishes for Armstrong at the meet included a 28th-place mark in the 60-meter hurdles and a 48th-place finish in the 60-meter run.

The Jax State 4x400-meter relay team, consisting of Armstrong, Edisha Brown,

Stephanie Jones and Amber Hardy also had a strong performance with a time of 4:09.56 and a 13th-place finish.

Other strong performances for JSU included Jones with a 200-meter dash time of 27.37 seconds, Hardy with a 60-meter hurdles time of 9.47 seconds, Shakeia Gooden with an 8.47-second performance in the 60 meters and Andrea Arnaud with a long jump of 17'04 and a 60-meter dash time of 8.07 seconds.

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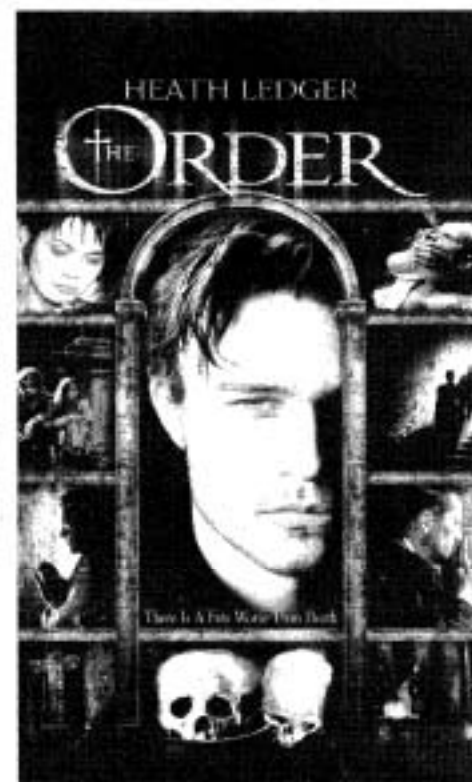
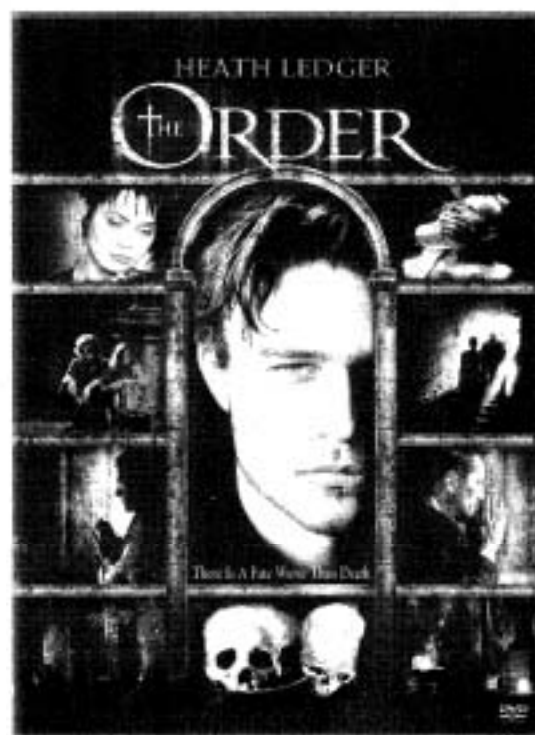
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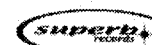
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Super Bowl, breasts, the MVP and clean references

By
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Well unfortunately my Panthers lost the game of their life. But they also played the game of their lives and should hold their head high. So should the Patriots, who must believe that the third time is a charm.

But what is even more unfortunate is that after the best Super Bowl that I have ever seen, no one is talking about the game. Everyone is talking about Janet's tittie.

Justin was saying 'I'm sorry Ms. Jackson', MTV was saying I'm sorry CBS and the NFL, the poor little NFL who never does anything wrong told them all to go to hell.

And the NFL was who I was most disappointed with. They obviously do not know their demographic because the people who watch the most football, are usually the people that are watching MTV too. And who the heck else is going to put on a halfway decent half time show that a lot of people can watch?

Next would be CBS because they just gave the classic, 'We didn't do it, did-
n't know about it and some-

Women hold first spot

By Mike Vaughan II
Chanticleer Staff Writer

Jacksonville State entered the week on fire, winning their last four and eight of the last nine. Neither opponent this week could slow the Gamecocks down, as they blew through Southeast Missouri State 95-83 and Eastern Illinois 80-60 to reclaim a share of first place in the OVC and move to 13-5 overall, with a 7-1 OVC record. It also continued the win streak, which now stands at six going into the weekend.

The first opponent of the week was Southeast Missouri State. While SEMO jumped out to a 5-0 lead on two early buckets inside and a free throw, JSU used a 24-5 run to capture a 24-10 lead with 10:14 left in the first half.

The Otahkians mounted a comeback as they pulled to within nine with 5:46 to play in the first, but the shots just wouldn't fall for SEMO as they went to the lockers trailing 22-41 at the half. JSU's defense held the visitors to just 21.4 percent from the field in the half,

including only 8.3 percent from long range. On the other hand, JSU enjoyed 53.1 percent shooting early on.

Coming out of the lockers the visiting squad found their spark and played with intensity. SEMO used run after run to chip away at the Gamecock lead and pull back into the game. With 8:40 left on the clock Southeast's 15-5 run trimmed the lead to nine, 50-59.

Southeast couldn't pull any closer as JSU hit three key three-pointers and drained their shots at the charity stripe in the last seven minutes to hold off the comeback. The game's final minute took 22:46 of real time as the two teams combined to shoot 29 free throws down the stretch. On the night the teams attempted a combined total of 85 shots from the charity stripe.

Shanika Freeman again led JSU's scoring charge with 24 points, while the recently-streaking Kelly Nye added 16, and Freddrika Embry tossed in 15. No one would post double-digit rebounds, as four ladies grabbed six rebounds apiece, including Katja Fuess. Nye had seven big assists for the game.



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Cobie Carlisle passes the rock during a game against EKV earlier this season. Carlisle has been key to the Gamecocks staying on top of the OVC this year.

"We really beat a good team tonight," said Embry after the game. "We have to keep it up, play one game at a time, and

keep the intensity going." "Their coach is really competitive," Said Coach Dave Dagostino. Regarding the

22:46 last minute, he said, "They didn't come all the way

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IM basketball winding down, raquetball ends

By Amado Ortiz
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

want to defend our title," said JUCO Julia Troxtel.

AOPi wouldn't be denied all

coach Seth Terrell's defensive set that caused the turnover. Matt Duncan pressured the



because they just gave the classic, 'We didn't do it, didn't know about it and sorry that it happened.

Janet and Justin, who by the way were very shocked that this happened, I was not so disgusted by. I have seen this many times, not to see Janet's booby, but to see the reactions on their faces. They looked truly shocked. I know that neither one of them are good actors (see Poetic Justice and the 'Cry Me a River' video) so there is my proof.

But anyway what makes me mad is that after such a good game, the news was the breast.

And I guess that with this I am making it worse. But that's the journalist in me.

To talk about the game even more, the only thing that disappointed me was that Brady got the MVP. I talked to a teacher/mentor/avid football fan Jerry Chandler Monday, after the game because I wanted to know what he thought. We both agreed that Delhomme should have gotten it.

He displayed the poise and led his team to a near victory, after being down, that few young quarterbacks ever show.

The defensive battle throughout the first half was one of the best field position battles that I have ever seen. The game itself was just unreal.

So to close, I just want to say that I called what would happen two issues ago. Check it in my column. Yep. You know it. I am the master. And if you are counting I got three references to jugs (thanks Herb) in this column. Now I got four.

By Amado Ortiz
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

IM Team Racquetball wrapped up this week with Delta Chi defeating Sigma Phi Epsilon 4-2. Delta Chi was led by Matt Duncan as he played #1 singles and went undefeated in the tournament.

Alpha Omicron Pi defeated Zeta Tau Alpha 3-1 in the Women's Division. Courtney Goldenberg and Allison Pierce led AOPi.

The basketball leagues are starting to heat up as playoffs are less than a week away. Juco's defeated AOPi 42-19.

"They played good and were real aggressive. We just

want to defend our title," said JUCO Julia Troxter.

AOPi wouldn't be denied all week as they beat last year's champ Phi Mu with pressure defense 12-10.

Wesley Foundation defeated Alpha Xi Delta 28-15.

Phi Mu defeated Zeta Tau Alpha 40-14.

Alpha Xi Delta defeated ZTA 35-6.

Sig Ep and Delta Chi and played a two-game series with Sig Ep winning in convincing fashion 53-26. Sig Ep would fall short in the rematch as Jeremy Sims hit a fade-away jump shot with: 02 seconds left on the clock to win 40-38.

The game winning basket was set up by Delta Chi head

coach Seth Terrell's defensive set that caused the turnover. Matt Duncan pressured the point and caused a costly Sig Ep turnover.

"This was a big win for us," said Grant Hackman. "It's the first time we worked as a team."

Kappa Alpha jumped on Pi Kappa Phi early and held off a late Pi Kap push to win 46-42.

"Both teams played good. It was a good game all in all," said KA JD Davis. Davis and Charles Ponder paved the way in the victory as both hit three point shots all night.

Pi Kapp charged late using a press to get back in the game. KA would make their free throws at the end of the game



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to preserve the win.

Independent Division

North North Workers defeated Boycotters 61-36

Kornerstone Kool Kutters D. Wesley foundation 41-26

Hood Boyz d. Penetrators 51-

44

GDI's d. Kornerston Kool Kutters 60-41

Locust Fork d. SMAK 48-43 in 2OT

Men still climbing in OVC ranks

Men take two at home against SEMO and Eastern Illinois to break .500 in OVC play for the first time

By Mike Vaughan II
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

Jacksonville State was a team on a mission this week. The mission: avoid the Ohio Valley conference cellar while improving their record. The result: a pair of home wins over Southeast Missouri State 79-64 and over Eastern Illinois 78-73.

Thursday was the first game against Southeast Missouri State since the 1985 season, when JSU defeated the Indians on the way to the National title. Jacksonville State jumped out to a quick 10-2 lead over the first five minutes of the game and the Indians never got within five points the rest of the game. JSU shot 51.7 percent in the first half to build a 33-24 lead at the half.

Southeast Missouri would narrow the gap to as close as 12 late in the game, but an 8-2 JSU run would put the game away, bringing JSU to 10-9 on the

year and 3-5 in the OVC.

Carl Brown led the scoring off the bench with 17 points and ten rebounds, while Scott Watson finished with 16 points. Russell Walker added 14 points and James Denson added 13 points and nine rebounds as the Gamecocks improved to 26-1 when shooting better than 50 percent from the field under LaPlante. JSU sank 31-of-58 for 53.4 percent. JSU also had eleven steals to only 5 for the Indians.

"They did a great job of trying to keep the tempo down," said Coach LaPlante. "In the second half, fatigue helped us on them, as they wore down as we sped up the pace. They were taking away a lot of our first options, and I was pleased we found other ways to score."

The Saturday game featured the first ever matchup between Jacksonville State and Eastern Illinois. JSU shot well, but had to overcome a plague of late fouls to pull out the game 78-

73.

The Panthers, who have lost seven in a row, are now 3-15 overall and 1-7 in the OVC while JSU improved to 11-9 and 4-5 in the conference.

Eastern Illinois took a 23-15 lead with 8:45 left in the first half after Andy Gobczynski sank a 3-pointer from the left side, but Jacksonville State fought back to tie the game only five minutes later.

Carl Brown sank a free throw with 4:03 left to tie the game at 27-27. Eager sank a pair of treys and Denson added another 3-pointer during the run as JSU finished the game 8-of-19 from behind the arc.

The two teams battled through three lead changes and five ties in the first half as the game was tied at 33-33 at the intermission.

In the first 10 minutes of the second half, there were seven ties and neither team led by



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